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TO ALL MEMBERS

**RE: WORKSHOP ON TAXATION OF INTERNATIONAL
TRANSACTIONS – (TOIT 2008)**

CATA is pleased to announce that arrangements have been finalized to hold the Workshop on Taxation of International Transactions for senior and middle level tax officials for 2008. The Workshop will again be hosted by the Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia.

Duration

It will be a three-week workshop from 07 to 25 July 2008.

Venue & Accommodation

The Workshop will be held at:

The Malaysian Tax Academy
Inland Revenue Board of Malaysia
Persiaran Wawasan
43650 Bandar Baru Bangi
Selangor
MALAYSIA

This is a residential programme; accommodation and meals will be provided at the Malaysian Tax Academy.

Course Objectives

The purpose of the Workshop is to broaden and deepen participants understanding of the rules of international taxation, especially tax treaties, by considering their application in interaction with domestic tax law and to commercial transactions which involve flows of funds across international frontiers.

Workshop Contents

- (a) Review basic concepts such as source of income and residence status of individuals and enterprises
- (b) Focus on the provisions of the United Nations Model Avoidance of Double Taxation Convention between developed and developing countries and the OECD Model Tax Convention on income and on capital
- (c) Highlight practical case studies
- (d) International tax audits aimed at countering tax avoidance schemes and mechanisms, the abuse of tax treaties and the misuse of transfer pricing as a tool for tax evasion and avoidance by multinationals corporations.

Eligibility

Participants should be:

- (a) Senior and middle level tax officials of member countries involved in the negotiation of tax treaties, application of tax treaties, or in development of policy or administration in relation to international taxation; or
- (b) Tax Inspectors responsible for, or engaged in, the audit of multinational enterprises and of other taxpayers involved in international transactions.

All applicants must have a good command of spoken and written English.

A maximum of 15 participants will be selected on the basis of regional representation. It is unlikely that more than one candidate per country will be considered for selection.

Financial Assistance

The Malaysian Government will meet the cost of food and accommodation at the Malaysian Tax Academy for the duration of the Course.

Nominating Governments will be required to meet the cost of the return air fares. Participants are advised to bring along an equivalent of US \$25 per day to cover incidentals and personal expenses.

Application Procedure

Applications must be made using Form MTA 1 and must be supported by a medical report on Form MTA 2. All the applications must be submitted through the applicant's Government to the Malaysian Tax Academy.

The closing date for the applications is **1 May 2008**. Successful candidates will be informed by early July by the Malaysian Tax Academy.

Applicants must furnish a fax contact number and e-mail address in their application forms to expedite communication.

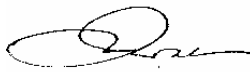
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